

## **Minutes: Leesburg Tree Commission January 23, 2006**

The Leesburg Tree Commission met on Monday, January 23, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. in the lower level meeting room at 25 West Market Street, Leesburg, VA. Staff present for the meeting was Jay Banks and Lee Phillips.

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Chairman Hower  
Vice Chair Pritchard  
Commissioner Dewar  
Commissioner Griffith  
Commissioner Groothuis  
Commissioner Peterson  
Commissioner Wolf

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion: Pritchard  
Second: Wolf  
Carried: 7-0-0

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion: Peterson  
Second: Groothuis  
Carried: 7-0-0

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

### **SUBCOMMITTEES**

Arbor Day- Will be an opening ceremony at Flower & Garden Festival  
Give away trees, River Birch not available. 1<sup>st</sup> backup will be Chestnut Oak, 2<sup>nd</sup> backup will be Red Oak

Plant-A-Tree – Commissioner Pritchard restocked brochures at several locations

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### **OLD BUSINESS**

UFMP- Needs to go forward to Town Council. The Tree Commission should meet with the Town Manager, John Wells to help with The Management Plan approval.

Commissioner Wolf stated that she would see if the Girl Scouts would be able to volunteer at the Flower and Garden Show

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Jay Banks briefed the Commission on Virginia Urban Forest Council 2006 Work Plan – Web Base Tree Commissioner Training Seminar

Chesapeake Bay U&CF Tree Canopy Goals, which calls for 5 communities in each state to quantify a gain in Tree Canopy Cover

February 16 Jay will attend a – Post –Storm response & Tree Risk Assessment Workshop

### **COMMISSION COMMENTS**

Chairperson Hower – 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Leesburg Heritage tree seedlings. Thank you to Bruce & Julie for the planting of the Elms at Balch Library.

Commissioner Dewar – The Elms planted at the Balch Library survive the recent storm.

Commissioner Peterson – Elm tree planting Certificates from council

Commissioner Griffith – Are trees growing back on Wilson/Pershing

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Commissioner Griffith made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Griffith  
Second: Groothuis  
Carried: 7-0-0

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.

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Jay S. Banks, Urban Forester